

# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

laying down, for the 1979/80 sugar marketing year, measures to facilitate  
the disposal of sugar produced in the French overseas departments

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(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

### II. Proposed Council Regulation laying down, for the 1979/80, sugar marketing year, measures to facilitate the disposal of sugar produced in the French overseas departments

Because of the difficulties in disposing of the raw sugar produced in the French overseas departments in European regions of the Community, measures designed to facilitate its disposal have applied since 1 February 1973 when the Community began to import of sugar covered by the Commonwealth Sugar Agreement. These measures, applicable in principle on a sugar marketing year basis, consist of the granting, under certain conditions, of Community aid for the refining of this sugar.

The quantity of sugar refined in each sugar marketing year has been of the order of 300 000 tonnes.

The difficulties recognised by the Community in the past continue to exist, and the Commission therefore thinks it appropriate to propose that similar facilitating measures should be adopted for the 1979/80 sugar marketing year. These should consist of a Community refining subsidy which will as far as possible assist the disposal of this sugar within the Community and increase its trade flow, irrespective of the place of refining and the technical nature of the refineries concerned.

Such subsidy should be established on the basis of the value of the raw sugar delivered at the place of refining, the outlets after processing, the necessary refining margin for sugar refined in a "pure" refinery, and the differential amount fixed for the sugar marketing year. On this basis it is appropriate to provide a subsidy of 1.47 ECU per 100 kilogrammes of sugar expressed as white sugar.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 of 19 December 1974 on the common organisation of the market in sugar (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1396/78 (2), and in particular Article 9 (5) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Article 9 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 provides that appropriate measures are to be taken in the event of difficulties arising in the disposal of sugar produced in the French overseas departments; whereas the existence of such difficulties has been recognized in the past and appropriate Community measures have already been taken; whereas these difficulties still remain;

Whereas the economic relationship between the French overseas departments and the European regions of the Community requires that the bulk of the sugar from the French overseas departments should be disposed of in those regions;

Whereas a subsidy should be granted for the refining of the sugar concerned to ensure that these quantities are disposed of in those regions; whereas the amount of the subsidy should be determined on the basis of the value of the raw sugar delivered at the place of refining, the outlets after processing, the necessary refining margin for sugar refined in a refinery as defined in Article 9 (7) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 and the differential amount fixed by Council Regulation (EEC) No ...../79 of 1979 fixing, for the 1979/80 sugar marketing year, the differential charge to be levied on raw preferential sugar and the differential amount to be granted in respect of raw cane sugar from the French overseas departments (3),

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

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- (1) OJ No L 359, 31.12.1974, p.1  
(2) OJ No L 170, 27.6.1978, p.1  
(3) See page        of this Official Journal

Article 1

This Regulation shall apply for the 1979/80 sugar marketing year.

Article 2

1. Within the maximum quota a subsidy shall be granted for sugar produced in the French overseas departments and refined in the Community.
2. The subsidy referred to in paragraph 1 shall be 1.47 ECU per 100 kilograms of sugar expressed in white value.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 July 1979.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Luxembourg,

For the Council

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Date : 17. 5.1979

1. BUDGET HEADING : Heading 6414 measure FOD-sugar)

APPROBIATIONS :

2. TITLE : Proposal of Council Regulation laying down, for the 1979/80 sugar marketing year, measures to facilitate the disposal of sugar produced in the French overseas departments

3. LEGAL BASIS : Article 9 (5) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74

4. AIMS OF PROJECT : It is necessary to grant a refining subsidy on FOD-sugar to guarantee that 300.000 t of that sugar can be disposed of in deficit areas of the Community

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS	CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR ( 79 )	FOLLOWING FINANCIAL YEAR ( 80 )
5.0 EXPENDITURE - CHARGED TO THE EC BUDGET mEua - (REFUNDS/INTERVENTIONS) - NATIONAL-ADMINISTRATION - OTHER	4,1	1,6	2,5
5.1 RECEIPTS - OWN RESOURCES OF THE EC (LEVIES/CUSTOMS DUTIES) - NATIONAL			
5.0.1 ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE 5.1.1 ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	measure limited to the marketing year 1979/80		

5.2 METHOD OF CALCULATION

$$300.000 \text{ t} \times 14,75 \text{ Ecu/t} = 4,425 \text{ m Ecu} = 4,1 \text{ mEua}$$

6.0 CAN THE PROJECT BE FINANCED FROM APPROBIATIONS ENTERED IN THE RELEVANT CHAPTER OF THE CURRENT BUDGET ?

YES/NO

6.1 CAN THE PROJECT BE FINANCED BY TRANSFER BETWEEN CHAPTERS OF THE CURRENT BUDGET ?

YES/NO

6.2 IS A SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET BE NECESSARY ?

YES/NO

6.3 WILL FUTURE BUDGET APPROBIATIONS BE NECESSARY ?

YES/NO

OBSERVATIONS :

This measure is not of a new nature ( see "Explanatory memorandum")